Respect Wildness... Practice the 7 principles of Leave No Trace skills and ethics

- Plan ahead and prepare: Plan your trip carefully. Prepare for extreme weather, hazards and emergencies. Plan for the least experienced member of your party.
- Travel and camp on durable surfaces: Hike single file in the middle of the trail or side by side in areas without trails. Camp in hardened areas only, not in meadows or on vegetation.
- **Dispose of waste properly:** Pick up all spilled foods and trash. Disperse washing and cooking wastewater 70 adult steps (200') from camps and all water sources. Leave no evidence of your stay.
- Leave what you find: Leave plants, rocks, antlers and artifacts as you find them for others to enjoy.
- Minimize campfire impacts: Cook with a camp stove. Simply enjoy a candle lantern or the night sky.
- **Respect Wildlife:** Hang food and scented items 10 feet up and 4 feet out from trunk of tree. Minimize noise. Avoid lakes and streams at dawn and dusk.
- Be considerate of other visitors: Respect the quality of every visitor's experience.

EMERGENCIES: In case of emergency, go to the nearest phone (as located on map) and call 586-1399 or 911. Please remember that patrol cabins are not routinely staffed. Climb to higher elevations to attempt cell phone use.

<u>Site Location</u>: This campsite is located approximately 6.5 miles west of McGraw Ranch, or 1.8 mi. east of Lawn Lake, on the Black Canyon Trail. A wood sign marks where to cut off the trail and red plastic arrowheads on trees mark the route into the site. The site is marked by a metal arrowhead and a metal fire grate. Pitch tent within 15' of post with silver arrowhead to limit impact on surrounding vegetation.

Number of Sites: 1 stock/group

Elevation: 10,620 ft.

<u>Distance</u>: 6.5 mi. from Twin Owls Parking Area;

7.8 mi. from the Lawn Lake Trailhead.

Elevation Change: 2,780 ft. from Twin Owls Parking Area;

2,440 ft. from Lawn Lake Trailhead.

<u>Estimated Travel Time</u>: 4-6 hrs. from Twin Owls Parking Area; 6-7 hrs. from Lawn Lake Trailhead.

<u>Water Source</u>: Water is available from the stream south of campsite. Boil or adequately treat all water.

To Reach the Trailhead:

Lawn Lake Trailhead: Take US Hwy 36 to its junction with US Hwy 34 at Deer Ridge Jct. Turn north on 34 at the junction and drive to Horseshoe Park. Turn west on the road to Endovalley picnic area, and watch for the marked trailhead parking area on the right just after the turn. A separate parking area is farther up the road for horse parties.

Twin Owls Parking Area: Drive north out of Estes Park on MacGregor Lane/Devils Gulch Road approximately ³/₄ mi. to MacGregor Ranch. Proceed on road approximately 1 mi. to Twin Owls parking area. Trail starts on the west end of parking lot.

